

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are pending in the application.

Double Patenting

Claims 1, 2, 4, 5-8, 11-15, and 18-20 are provisionally rejected as unpatentable over claims 1, 4, 5-8, 11-15, and 18-20 of co-pending Application No. 10/657,989 (hereinafter “989 Application”). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection, but request that the response to this rejection be held in abeyance until Examiner has indicated allowable claims in the present application.

Claim Rejections

Claims 1-3, 5-7, 8-10, 12-17, 19, and 20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,075,943 to Feinman (“Feinman”) in view of U.S. Publication No. 2004/0019888 to Jain et al. (“Jain”). Claims 4, 11, and 18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Feinman in view of Jain, and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,088,803 to Tso et al. (“Tso”).

Response

Applicants’ invention is directed to a system and method for automated storing of software on an information handling system. In various embodiments of Applicants’ invention, a distribution server is configured to receive a software application file. A repack and script regeneration server is coupled to the distribution server, and is configured to: disassemble the software application file into a plurality of individual program files; generate an index of the individual program files; identify and remove redundant program files; generate a composite program file library containing a plurality of the program files; and generate scripts for automatically controlling the transfer of the program files to an information handling system. A download server is configured to store the program files on a storage medium on a target information handling system.

Examiner has rejected independent claims 1, 8, and 15 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Feinman in view of Jain. As discussed above, each of the aforementioned independent claims recite a system, method, or information handling system that comprises a repack and script regeneration server that disassembles a software application into a plurality of individual program files, generates an index of the individual program files and identifies and removes redundant program files. Examiner acknowledges

that Feinman fails to disclose a system and method that discloses the identification and removal of redundant program files. Examiner alleges, however, that this feature is disclosed by Jain. For this proposition, Examiner cites paragraph [008] of Jain, “Any subdirectories pointed to by any of the plurality of links that contain redundant files are detected and any links pointing to redundant files are removed from the primary directory.” (emphasis added) It is abundantly clear that Jain does not teach the removal of redundant files; rather, Jain only teaches the removal of links pointing to redundant files. All of the program files in the Jain reference are maintained. Thus, the combination of references proposed by Examiner fails to teach all of the limitations recited in independent claims 1, 8 and 15 of Applicants’ patent application. Specifically, the proposed combination fails to teach the removal of redundant files as recited in independent claims 1, 8, and 15 of Applicants’ patent application.

Applicants submit, therefore, that the combination of Feinman and Jain fails to teach all of the limitations recited in independent claims 1, 8, and 15, and, therefore the rejection of these claims under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) should be removed and these claims should be passed to allowance. Applicants further submit that all pending dependent claims are allowable as being dependent on allowable base claims.

CONCLUSION

In view of the remarks set forth herein, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is solicited. Nonetheless, should any issues remain that might be subject to resolution through a telephonic interview, the examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned at 512-338-9100.

FILED ELECTRONICALLY
May 27, 2008

Respectfully submitted,

/Gary W. Hamilton/

Gary W. Hamilton
Attorney for Applicant(s)
Reg. No. 31,834